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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a supplemental listing of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorneys pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). Copies of the documents listed on Form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

Applicants herein further provides a reference to co-pending applications pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(1):

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A copy of each of the above co-pending applications is enclosed pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii).

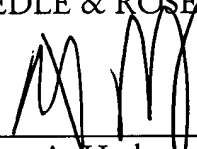
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	B2	6,124,120	Sep. 26, 2000	Lizardi			
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	B6	6,280,949	Aug. 28, 2001	Lizardi			
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